

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

Ricky Jackson,)	Case No. 1:15-CV-989
)	
Plaintiff,)	Judge Christopher A. Boyko
)	
vs.)	
)	
City of Cleveland, <i>et al.</i>,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

Kwame Ajamu, <i>et al.</i>,)	Case No. 1:15-CV-1320
)	
Plaintiffs,)	Judge Christopher A. Boyko
)	
vs.)	
)	
City of Cleveland, <i>et al.</i>,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

JOINT MOTION TO REFER CASES FOR MEDIATION

The parties in these cases continue to explore the possibility of resolving these cases and believe that mediation may be helpful. Since this Court may soon be presiding over the trial of this matter, and it is imperative for this Court to maintain its impartiality and neutrality, the parties presume this Court will consider assigning this case to a different court officer to serve as mediator.

Counsel in these cases have been involved in prior, similar litigation and have had success with Judge Polster as a mediator. Considering Judge Polster's history of successfully mediating cases assigned to his colleagues, and in an effort to assist this Court, the undersigned counsel contacted Judge Polster's chambers and was informed that he is willing to serve as

mediator on these cases in May of 2020, but only if this Court consents to the referral. Therefore, the parties in this case respectfully request that this Court refer this matter to the Honorable Dan A. Polster to preside over mediation at a mutually agreeable time in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

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